

Appl. No. 10/620,715
Amdt. dated July 18, 2006
Supplement to Response C filed in Reply to Office Action dated April 17, 2006

REMARKS

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the telephone conversations of July 17, 2006 and the suggestions for bringing the claims into condition for allowance. Further to those conversations, Applicant has amended the specification and amended claims 1 and 3

Amendments to the Specification

The Specification has been amended to bring language from original claim 10 into the application as new paragraph [0032A], between existing paragraphs [0032] and [0033]. This language provides support for amended claim 1, submitted with Response C on June 21, 2006 and further amended herein.

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1 and 3 are herein amended, and claims 2, 8 and 10-16 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claim 1 is amended to remove language referring to an adhesive, a monomer and a polymer, to expedite allowance. Claim 3 is amended to add the word "layer" after adhesive, for reasons of clarity. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the broader scope of the amended claims, and to pursue the cancelled claims, in later-filed continuation or divisional applications.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the claims and a notice of allowance are therefore requested. Applicant believes that no extension of time is required for this matter, but hereby submits this conditional petition for an extension of time, if needed, and requests that any fee required for timely consideration of this application be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4972.

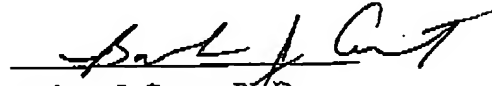
If the Examiner finds that there would be patentable subject matter if additional amendments were made, or if the Examiner has any questions as to the allowability of the currently pending claims, or if there are any defects which need to be corrected, the Examiner is invited to speak to the Applicant's counsel at the telephone number given below before issuing a further action.

Respectfully submitted,

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